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SUBJECT: REPORTS OF HAWK AIRCRAFT FOR EGYPT

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1. WE NOTE RENEWED SPATE OF NEWSPAPER REPORTS ON
BRITISH SALE OF HAWK AIRCRAFT TO EGYPT. FCO OFFICIALS
ASSURE US NO CONTRACTS YET SIGNED AS RESULT OF NEGOTIA-
TIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN PLODDING ALONG FOR OVER 18 MONTHS.
THEY CANNOT EXPLAIN NEWSPAPER STORIES, EXCEPT ON THEORY
THAT THEY ARE CYCLICAL.

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2. HAWK AIRCRAFT IS ROUGHLY COMPARABLE TO SOMEWHAT MORE MODERN MIG 17, BRITISH TELL US. RAF IS USING THEM AS TRAINERS. THEY COULD BE USED AS SECONDARY STRIKE AIRCRAFT BY THE EGYPTIANS, AS WELL AS TRAINERS. NUMBERS INVOLVED AND TIMING OF DEAL, AS WELL AS DETAILS OF LOCAL PRODUCTION IN EGYPT, ARE ALL STILL UNDER NEGOTIATION.

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